

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5133

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY MONROVIA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN PRIORITY

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, ZA US

SUBJ: PAN AM OVERFLIGHTS OF ZAMBIA

REF: (A) LUSAKA 0595, (B) NAIROBI 2835, (C) PRETORIA 0720

1. DCM WAS CALLED MARCH 7 BY DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN AFFAIRS AT MFA ABOUT PAN AM OVERFLIGHTS. HE EXPLAINED THAT PAN AM OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCES HAD NEVER BEEN RESCINDED; THERE HAD BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING. ZAMBIAN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL WHEN IT HAD CONTACTED ITS SOUTH AFRICAN COUNTERPART ABOUT CLEARANCES (REFTEL C) HAD NOT MEANT TO IMPLY THAT CLEARANCES HAD BEEN CANCELLED. RATHER, ZAMBIAN AUTHORITIES HAD INTENDED TO INFORM SOUTH AFRICAN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL THAT PAN AM HAD BEEN FLYING AT AN UNAUTHORIZED ALTITUDE AND  
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THAT PAN AM HENCEFORTH SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL. DIRECTOR SAID THAT ZAMBIAN AIR CONTROL WAS CONTACTING SOUTH AFRICAN AIR CONTROL DIRECTLY TO EXPLAIN THAT THERE HAD BEEN A MIX UP AND THAT PAN AM COULD RESUME FLYING. ASKED IF PAN AM COULD FLY AGAIN AS IF NOTHING HAD HAPPENED, DIRECTOR REPLIED YES.

2. WE TAKE THIS MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

AND THE PREVIOUS ONE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION  
(REFTEL A) AS OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION THAT PAN AM CON RESUME  
ITS NORMAL OVERFLIGHTS AT ANYTIME IT WISHES. WE BELIEVE LETTER  
REQUESTING RESTORATION OF OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS (REFTEL B) IS NOT  
NECESSARY. LOW

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